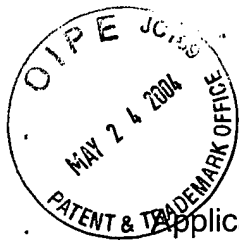


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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action mailed **December 24, 2003** be extended for a period of two (2) months from **March 24, 2004** to and including **May 24, 2004**.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be **\$210.00** for a small entity(Fee Code: 2252). Please charge the **\$210.00** fee to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0310. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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